
Pattern	Meaning	Example
\d	digit	\d{4} → 2026
\w	word character	\w+ → hello
\s	whitespace	a\s b → a b
.	any character	c.t → cat, cut
^ / \$	start / end of line	^Hi
*	0 or more	go*d → gd, god
+	1 or more	go+d → god, good
?	optional	colou?r
{n,m}	between n and m	\d{2,4}
[abc]	any of a, b, c	gr[ae]y
[^abc]	not a, b or c	[^0-9]
(x y)	x or y	(cat dog)
\b	word boundary	\bcat\b